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In re Patent Application:	)	
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Michel GASTIGER	)	Group Art Unit: 2123
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Serial No.: 09/675,257	)	Examiner: K. Thangavelu
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APPARATUSES SUPPLIED WITH GAS	)	

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2004, having a period for response set to expire July 8, 2004. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time is being submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to September 8, 2004. The following amendment and remarks are respectfully submitted, and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.

☐   Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ $55.00 (2814) ☐ $110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.

☐ Also enclosed is/are _____
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☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the
    ☐ $385.00 (2801) ☐ $770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

☐ Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments **not** be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.

☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted _____
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on _____,
for which continued examination is requested.

☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _____,
which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

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☐ No additional claim fee is required.

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AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	49	MINUS 51 =	0	x $18.00 (1202) =	$ 0.00
Independent Claims	8	MINUS 4 =	4	x $86.00 (1201) =	$ 344.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add $290.00 (1203)					
Total Claim Amendment Fee					$ 344.00
☐ Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					$ 344.00

☒ A check in the amount of ___$ 344.00___ is enclosed for the fee due.

☐ Charge _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

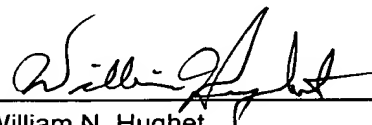☐ Charge _____ to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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